

# 2023 VHA Shark Tank Competition Evaluation Tool

## Evaluation Tool Instructions

Thank you for participating as a 2023 VHA Shark Tank Competition application reviewer. Submissions should be assessed based on their feasibility, meaningfulness, and strategic value to VHA. While completing your evaluations, please remember that the goal of the VHA Shark Tank Competition is to identify field-developed practices that promote positive outcomes for Veterans, employees, and/or caregivers and facilitate the standardization of those practices across the health care system.

The questions below will ask you to rate on a scale of 1-7, with 1 being strongly disagree and 7 being strongly agree, the extent to which you agree with the statements provided. Please refer to the Evaluator Frequently Asked Questions document for additional guidance on the evaluation process. Your efforts will help to determine the next great group of Shark Tank promising practices, and we are very grateful!

## Evaluation Questions

Applicants must have successfully implemented their practice in at least one facility. Successful implementation requires launching the practice and having data-based results collected for at least **three** months. The pilot facility fulfills this requirement.

1. Has this applicant successfully implemented their practice in at least one facility? **If no, this submission is invalid and should not be scored.**
  - Yes
  - No
2. Based on the information provided in the application:

### Feasibility (21 points) (Required)

How feasible is this project to implement at an additional VHA facility? This implies that VHA has the necessary resources (e.g. technology, people, etc.).

**The practice is replicable in another VHA facility in under 12 months.**

1 = Strongly Disagree	2 = Disagree	3 = Somewhat Disagree	4 = Neutral	5 = Somewhat Agree	6 = Agree	7 = Strongly Agree
<b>The practice is process-focused.</b>						
1 = Strongly Disagree	2 = Disagree	3 = Somewhat Disagree	4 = Neutral	5 = Somewhat Agree	6 = Agree	7 = Strongly Agree
<b>The practice clearly specifies resource requirements.</b> Examples Include: Necessary materials, FTEs, specialists, space, equipment						
1 = Strongly Disagree	2 = Disagree	3 = Somewhat Disagree	4 = Neutral	5 = Somewhat Agree	6 = Agree	7 = Strongly Agree

<b>Meaningfulness (21 points) (Required)</b>						
How well does the project would meet the needs of Veterans, specific VA stakeholders, or VHA at large (e.g. clinicians, caregivers, staff, etc.) and how meaningful might it be?						
<b>The practice solves an important problem for Veterans, specific VA stakeholders, or VHA at large.</b>						
1 = Strongly Disagree	2 = Disagree	3 = Somewhat Disagree	4 = Neutral	5 = Somewhat Agree	6 = Agree	7 = Strongly Agree
<b>The practice demonstrates <i>impact</i> on an identified problem with support from data-based evidence.</b> Example: Reduced Veteran's wait time for limb prosthetics by 39%						

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<p><b>The practice improves satisfaction or experience for the target population.</b>          Example: Provided Veteran's a solution to a long-standing frustration</p>						
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Strategy (14 points) (Required)						
How well does the practice align with VA and VHA Shark Tank Competition strategic priorities?						
<p><b>The practice aligns to one or more of the six VHA Shark Tank Competition priorities.</b>          Please <a href="#">visit here</a> for the VHA Shark Tank Priorities.</p>						
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<p><b>The practice aligns to one or more VA strategic objective(s). For the full list of VA strategic objectives, please <a href="#">visit here</a>.</b></p>						
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3. Are there any similar practices, to your knowledge, currently ongoing within VHA?  
(required)
- Yes
  - No

- 3.1. If yes, could you please describe the similar practice(s) including the practice leader and where it is implemented if you're aware.
4. Please provide any feedback that would help the applicant improve their practice moving forward. This feedback will be shared with the applicant following the evaluation period. (300 word limit; Required)
5. What would you like to see improved for next year's VHA Shark Tank Competition evaluation process?